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In response to a telephone interview with Examiner Ray, the applicants are submitting this supplemental amendment.

In the claims:

In claim 6, at line 1 of the claim, please delete the word "first" and insert the word --second--.

In claim 7, at line 1 of the claim, please delete the word "second" and insert the word --first--.

Please amend claim 27 as follows:

27. (twice amended) A method for masking an interrupt, the method comprising the steps of:  
a) receiving an interrupt signal, a mask signal, and a mask override signal;